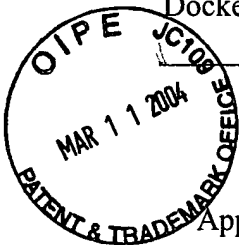


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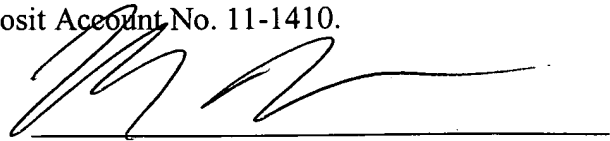
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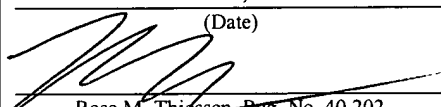
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 27, 2004, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.